





# Enterprise Wide Scheduling and Registration (EWS-R) Industry Day



6 February 2003
Skyline Theater
Falls Church Virginia





# Introduction Of Participants



- LTC Paul Michaels Contracting Officer, DCC-W
- Captain Ben Long –Program Manager, Resources Information Technology Program Office, TMA
- Mike Snyder Principal Deputy PM, RITPO
- Evan Williams Director, Scheduling and Staffing Solutions, RITPO



# Agenda



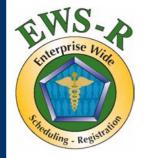
- Who is DCC-W?
- Purpose of Industry Day
  - Disclaimer
  - Ground Rules
- Goals of Acquisition
- Proposal Evaluation Process
- MHS and RITPO Overview
- DoD VA Information Systems
- Overview of Systems Integration for EWS-R
- Question and answers



### Who is DCC-W?



- Founded in 1884 as The Supply Division of the War Department.
- Became a civilian-control led entity in 1889.
- In 1968, DCC-W issued a solicitation for development of a system that is known today as the Internet.
- DCC-W was formerly known as the Defense Supply Services – Washington (DSS-W)
- Five Contracting Business Units (CBU); CBU 4, Health Affairs managing this procurement



# DCC-W Mission and Vision



### Mission:

 Provide contracting support to all defense customers to help them achieve their mission.

### Vision:

- Be the indisputable and recognized leader in quality government contracting services:
  - Exceed customer expectations
  - Partner in customers success
  - Promote innovative thinking
  - Challenge employees to stretch their horizons
- Customers will choose DCC-W because we value their business



# Purpose Of Industry Day



- Inform Industry of the plan for Acquisition of the COTS solution for EWS-R
- Provide guidance to industry in responding to the RFP
- Introduce the MHS information environment for EWS-R integration
- Introduce the Project team, MHS Program management, and the key acquisition points of contact



## Disclaimer



- This session is for background information purposes only
- The Government reserves the unilateral right to make changes in requirement or acquisition plan
- The formal RFP takes precedence over information discussed today



## **Ground Rules**



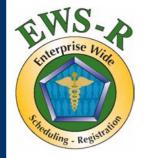
- Questions are to be submitted in writing electronically (including questions asked orally at this Industry Day)
- E-mail questions to <a href="mailto:ews@tma.osd.mil">ews@tma.osd.mil</a>
- Answers given at this Industry Day are not binding
- Official record of questions/answers is the Website
  - Website:
    - www.ritpo.ha.osd.mil



# Goals of EWS-R Acquisition



- Acquisition of a COTS product and support which meets Enterprise Wide Scheduling and Registration technical and functional requirements to be integrated into the MHS
- Acquisition of an Enterprise License to the COTS solution for configuration, interface development and integration support, with options to be exercised upon successful demonstration and interoperability testing for MHS system-wide deployment



# Proposal Evaluation Process



- Government will convene a SSEB.
- SSEB will evaluate proposals to determine those within the competitive range.
- Those vendors within the competitive range may be requested to provide an oral presentation or a demonstration
- Final award will be made to the vendors that provides a comprehensive best value solution to the requirements in the RFP.





# MHS, RITPO and EWS-R





# Current MHS IM/IT Governance



(Functional Management)

**Theater Functional (IM) Steering Committee (07/08)** 

eBusiness. Policv & **Standards** 

Director. **Information Management Access** to Care **Provision** Pop of Health Health **Svcs** Mgt

Manage

**Medical Readiness** 

the Business

(Health Affairs)

**Assistant Secretary of Defense** 

**TRICARE** 

**Executive Committee (09/SES)** 

**Information Management (IM) Proponent Committee (08/SES)** 

MHS/IMT&R **Chief Information Officer** 

> MHS EA Board **Chief Architect**

CITPO

**Clinical IT Program Office** 



**Defense Medical Logistics Standard Support** 



**Management Program Office** 

**Theatre Medical Info Prog** 



**Advanced Technology Innovation Center** 

(Program **Management)** 

Information Technology (IT) **Program Review Board (06/SES)** 

**Program Executive Officer MHS IT Organization** 

**Resources IT Program Office** 

**Tri-Svc Infrastructure** 





# **Project Concept**

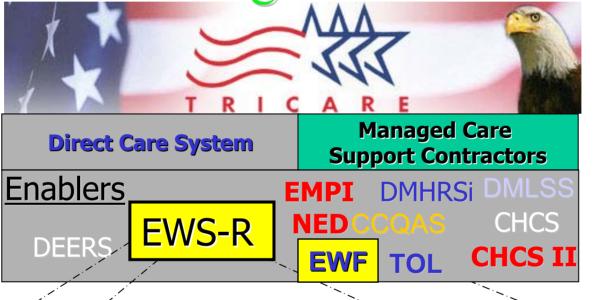
- Acquire a solution that delivers the MHS requirements for appointing, scheduling, Operating Room scheduling and fully integrated registration
- Develop interfaces and integrate EWS-R COTS to MHS source systems
- Replace CHCS Legacy Scheduling and Registration with EWS-R COTS Package
- EWS-R becomes MHS appointing, scheduling, registration and operating room scheduling capability



# **Enterprise Wide Scheduling**



Delivering Access to Care



Appointing Scheduling Registration Resources/Staffing

"Facility-wide" scheduling and staffing (Operating Rooms, wards, etc. )



# **EWS-R RFP**



- The RFP contains the detailed requirements for the EWS-R functionality
- The technical questionnaire provides the respondents the opportunity to describe the technical details of their solution
- The following slide from the RFP provides a high-level view of EWS-R relationships to other MHS information systems

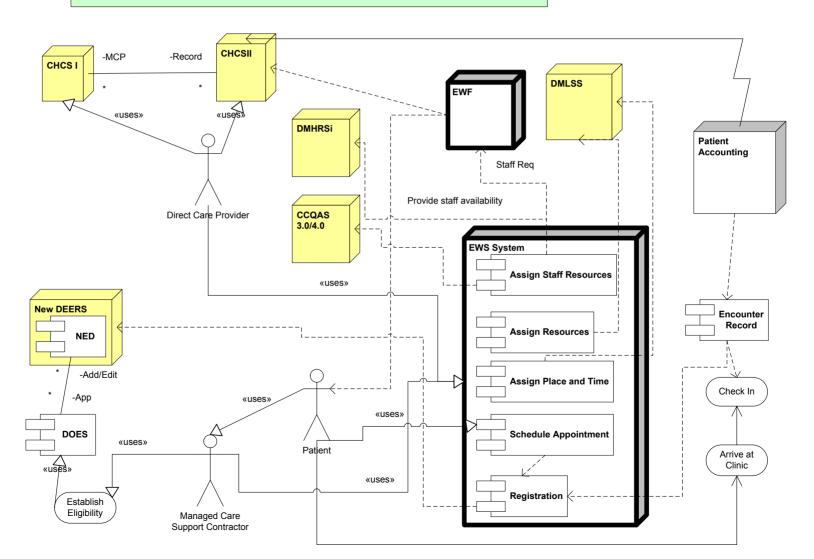


# System View

Draft Deployment/Component/Use Case

The TOL System will be the portal for patient and provider web access to the appointing and scheduling solution







# Military Health System Background Statistics



- 8.7 Million Eligible Beneficiaries
- ~45 million ambulatory encounters per yr
- 131,000 Military Health System Personnel
- 76 Hospitals
- 460 Medical Clinics
- 417 Dental Clinics (most are co-located with MTFs)



# Military Health System Weekly Statistics



- 898,000 Outpatient Visits
- 1,000,000 Prescription Fills
- 485,000 Telephone Calls
- 10,000 Admissions
- Over 81,500 Inpatient Medication Orders
- Over 28,800 IV Medication Orders



# Definition of Success



- 1. Fair, full and open competition for acquisition of best value COTS product
- 2. Technical and functional requirements met
- Integrated fully to MHS information systems
- 4. Implementation synchronized and sequenced to MHS IM/IT strategy

# DoD - VA

# Interoperability and Access





# DoD - VA Interoperability



### CONTRACT CLAUSE IN RFP (p.16)

- C.7. Specific Tasks:
  - C.7.1. (Îtem) 3. The Vendor shall support the government in providing the Veteran's Administration (VA) Outpatient Scheduling development contractor the necessary information to ensure interoperability between the two scheduling solutions.
- Interoperability is the ability of the systems to provide data, information, and services to and accept the same from each other, and to use the data, information, and services so exchanged to enable them to operate effectively together. It is anticipated that, at a minimum, quarterly design reviews will be required between the DoD and the VA to manage this process and that the Vendor would participate in these reviews.
- The necessary information to be shared may include documentation, data structures, data dictionaries, processes, application programming interfaces (APIs), product architecture, communication methods, and relevant design and development methodologies but not the source code of the COTS application.
- Deliverable 3, above, would be included as part of the shared information. A Scheduling Application Integration Plan (Deliverable 4) shall detail how the Vendor will support the interoperability of these two scheduling applications. Applicable elements of this plan will be incorporated into appropriate associated deliverables in an effort coordinated by the Government and the EWS-R integration contractor.



# DoD - VA Interoperability



## Option Clause in RFP (p.25)

• C.11.3. Additional Information The Government may consider making the COTS Enterprise License solution selected, without configuration or interfacing, available to the Veteran's Administration and other interested Federal Agencies engaged in Healthcare. The purpose of this additional information is to provide a means of access to the selected COTS solution or its components by other Federal Agencies. There is no expectation of pricing information or Level of Effort from the responding organizations for the purposes of the Request for Proposals.

# Overviews of Systems and Integration for EWS-R

Note: We will not entertain questions from the audience during the presentation of these systems overviews

Questions should be posted to:

EWS@tma.osd.mil
Thank you





# MHS Enterprise Architecture Overview







# Using Enterprise Architecture To Improve Healthcare Delivery and Build Better Information Systems

CAPT Brian Kelly MC USN
MHS Chief Architect
Director, E-Business, Policy & Standards
TRICARE Management Activity
Brian.Kelly@tma.osd.mil







### Operational Architecture eBPS

- Access to Care
- Provision of Health Services
- Managing the Business
- Population Health Management

### Systems Architecture PEO

- Theater Medical Information Technology
- Clinical Information Technology
- Resource Information Technology
- Defense Medical Logistics Standard Support
- Executive Information/Decision Support
- Computer & Communications Infrastructure

### Technical Architecture TMI&S

Joint Technical Architecture (JTA)

- XML
- ANSI X.12
- Health Level 7





# MHS Enterprise Architecture Demo

http://www.tricare.osd.mil/architecture



# MHS Common Operating



Environment Concept

Infrastructure Strategy

MHS Capabilities map-to one or more of several Infrastructure pattern types Standard e Triterface

**Application** Suites

Services Central Program **MTF MCSC** VA Other

**Ouality** Data

#### Infrastructure Pattern Types

- 1.Client Server
- 2.Web based
- 3. Decision Support
- 4.MTF Hub

### Infrastructure Patterns (Platform Profiles) include:

#### **Component Type**

Processor

Storage

Network

**Operating System** 

Database System

Service

Component

Tool



# MHS Computing and Communications Infrastructure Patterns -- Findings



- Web Services Pattern
- Client Server Pattern
- Decision Support Pattern
- Medical Treatment Facility (MTF) Hub
   Pattern



# TRICARE Online - Secure Portal to MHS Resources and Services



#### **Managed Care Support Contractors**

- Registration
- Network Providers
- Referrals/Consults Claims

#### HealthGate **Content Repository**

- Health Information **Drug Information**
- Drug-Drug Interaction Checker

#### **Composite Health** Care System

- **Appointments**
- Pharmacy Lab Data
- Radiology Data E-mail

#### **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System**

Enrollment

A Internet zone

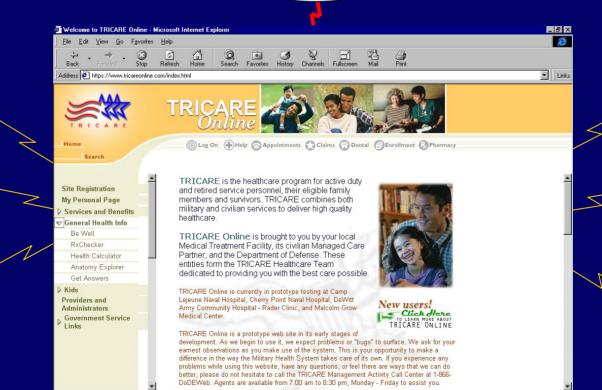
- Master Patient Index
- Other Health Insurance

#### Personal Health Journal

- Accessible Health Journal
- Health Risk Assessment
- **Disease Tracking Tools**



**Defense Information** Systems Network











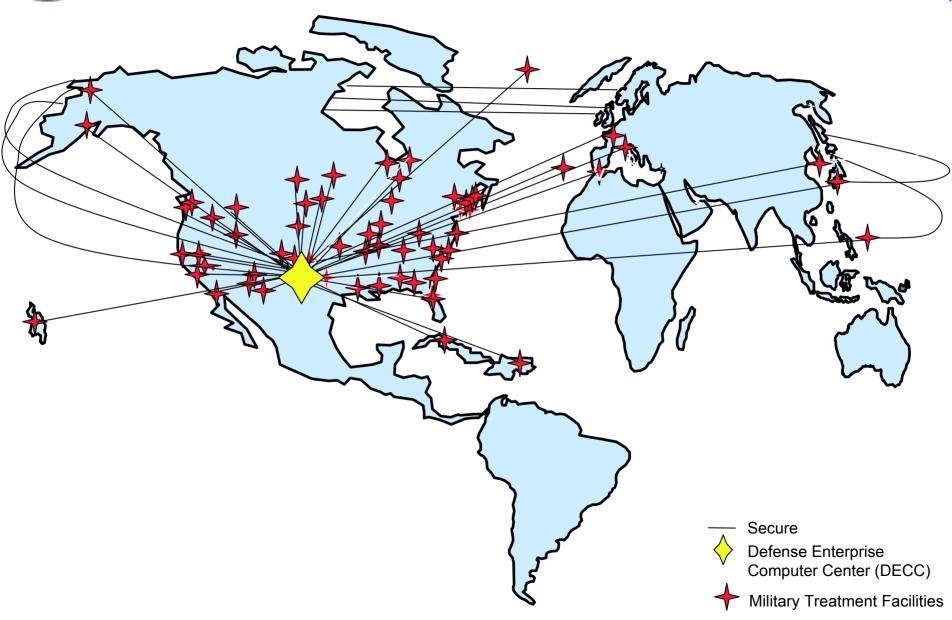






### **TOL – Securely Connecting the MHS**

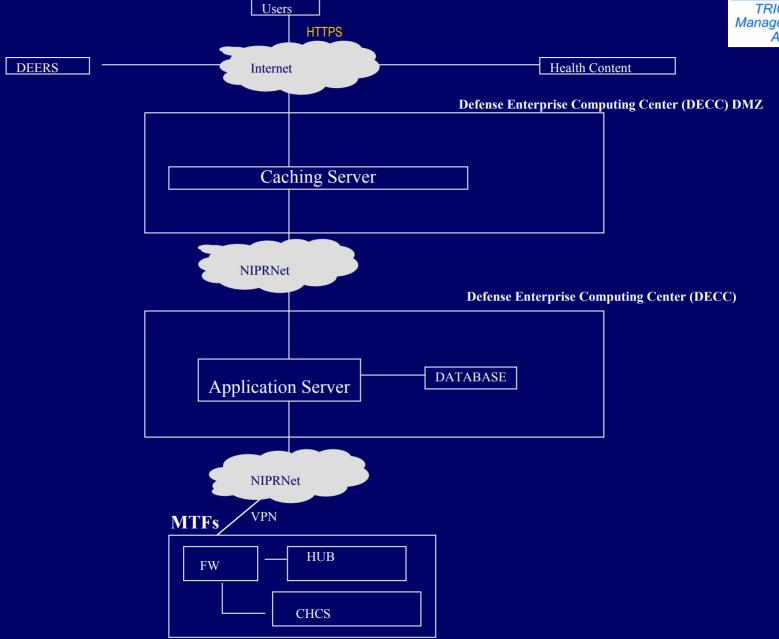






### **TOL Platform Architecture**







# The Two Components of TOL



- TOL Defense Enterprise Computing Center (DECC)
  - Open Standards (J2EE) portal
  - Any application wrote to J2EE specifications described in the TOL Application Integration Guide can be easily integrated on TOL with no additional hardware and no new DITSCAP requirement
  - Applications can be displayed based on Roles (Segmentation possible by Service, specialty, etc.)
- The MTF Hub Piece
  - Allows secure communication with TOL DISA
  - TOL deals with all the Service Firewall and Security Accreditation Issues
  - Allows local caching and improved performance of web-based applications





# R&A Purpose

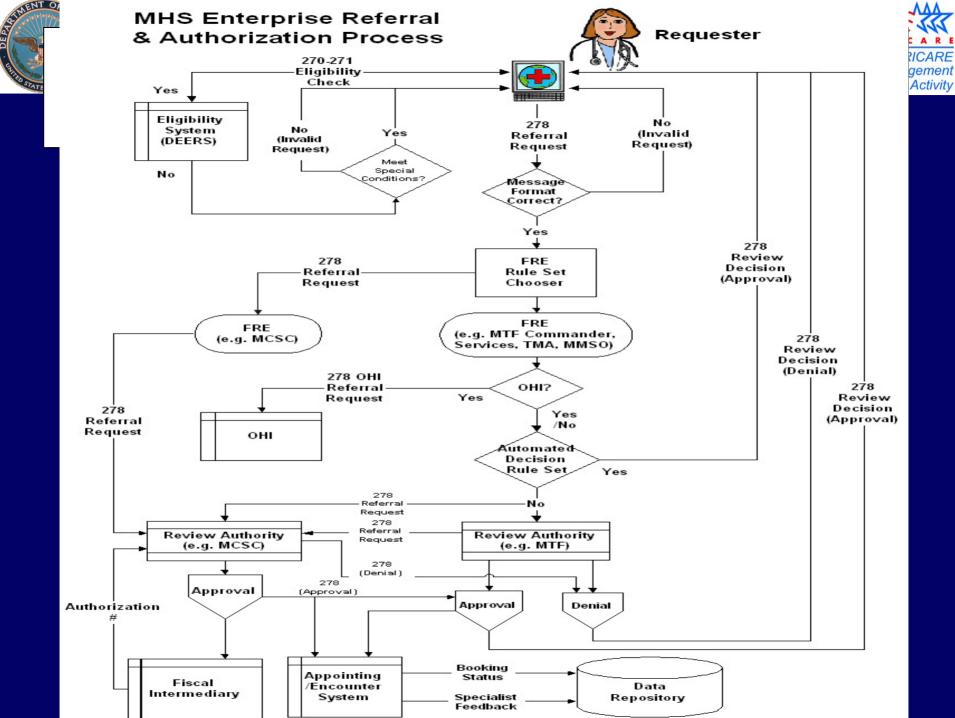
To standardize R&A business rules/functional requirements to enhance timeliness, effectiveness and efficiency of the delivery of health care services to MHS beneficiaries.

## Mission

To provide the MHS a single resource for HIPAA-compliant referral and authorization processing

## Vision

To serve as the common R&A solution that will be deployed worldwide and will enhance the MHS ability to deliver quality, cost-effective health care in a timely manner.







## Break Please Return in 15 Minutes



# CHCS and CHCS II Integration Overview





### **CHCS II Briefing**

LTC(P) Bart Harmon MD, MPH
Chief Information Manager for Provision of
Care
OSD(HA) IMT&R/IM

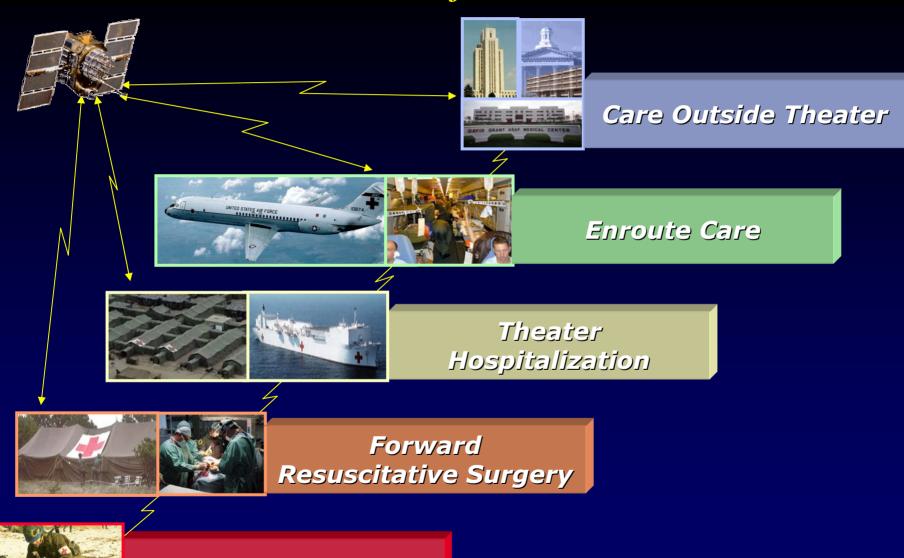
## Military Health System Information Management/Information Technology Program Force Health Protection



### Military Health System

Information Management/Information Technology Program

Levels of Care



## Military Health System Information Management/Information Technology Program

#### Submit requirements to Joint Staff

- Mission Needs Statement
- Capstone Requirements Document
- Operational Requirements Document

Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC)

**Requirements Approval Process** 

JS, CINCS, Services, Agencies Review and Comment

O-6 Level

JS, CINCS, Services, Agencies Review and Comment

Flag Level



Joint Requirements
Panel (JRP) Brief

Review

Joint Requirements
Board (JRB) Brief

Joint Requirements
Oversight Council

Approve

#### Military Health System

Information Management/Information Technology Program
Strategic Direction





**Sustaining Base** 

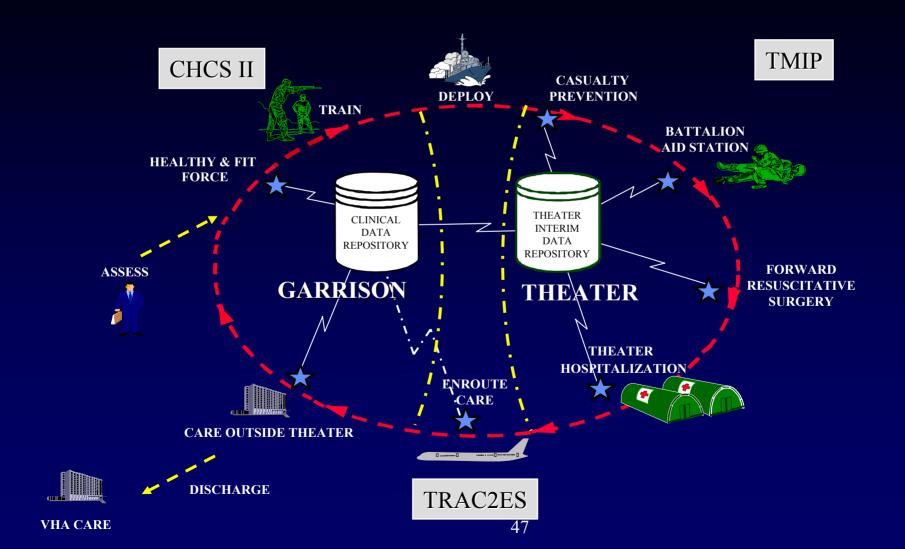
Military Medical Readiness

Train As We Fight



**Deployed Forces** 

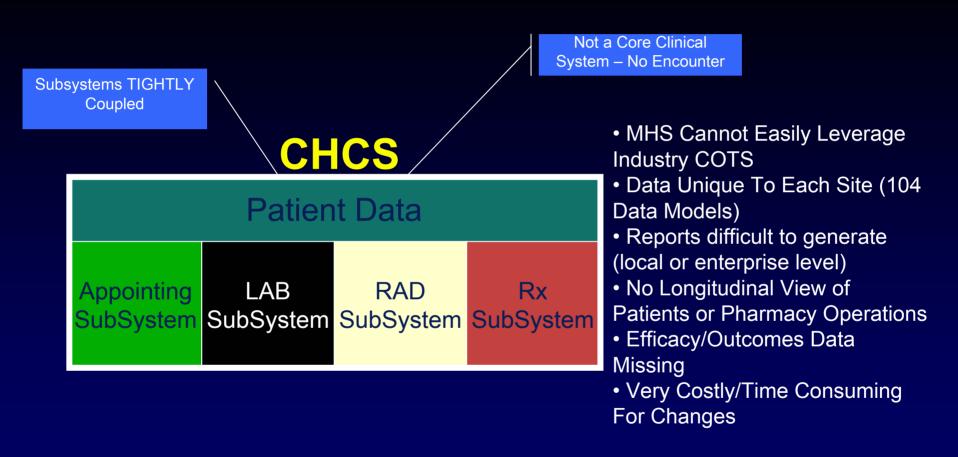
## Military Health System Information Management/Information Technology Program Integrating the Health Record



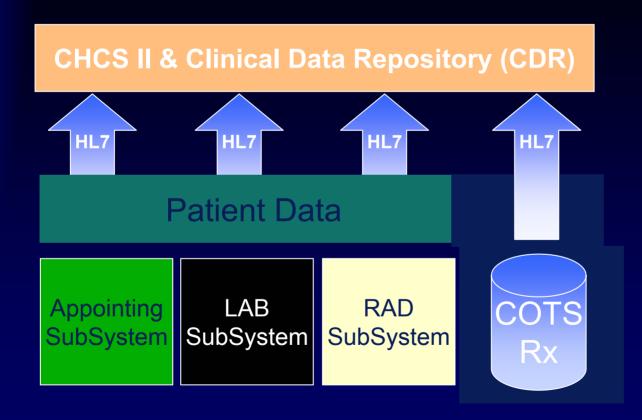
## Military Health System Information Management/Information Technology Program Patient Encounter Process



#### **MHS Issues with CHCS**

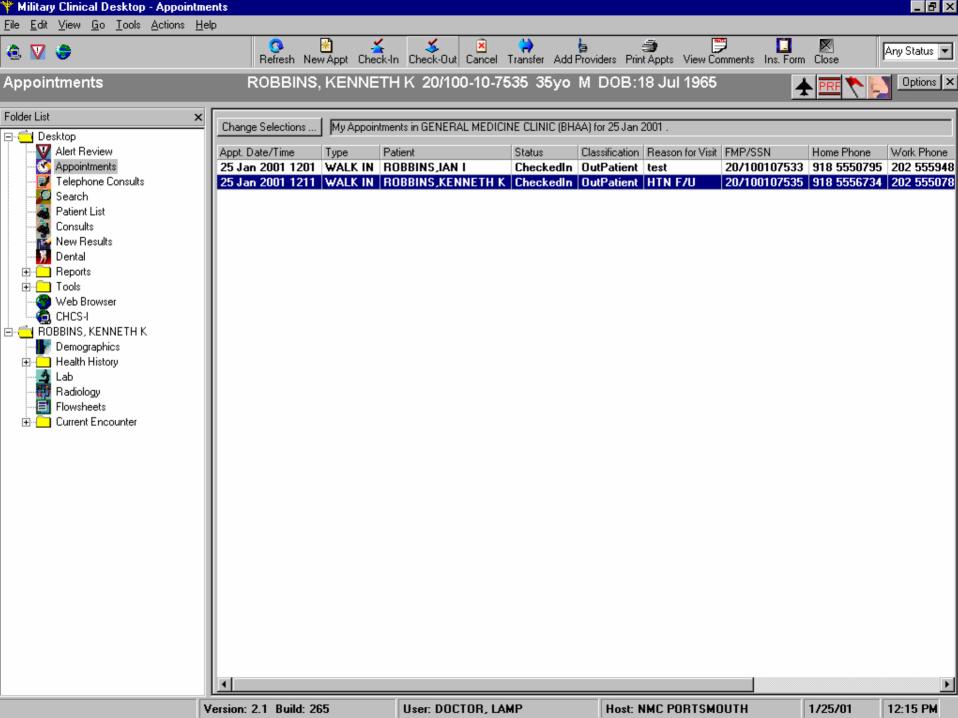


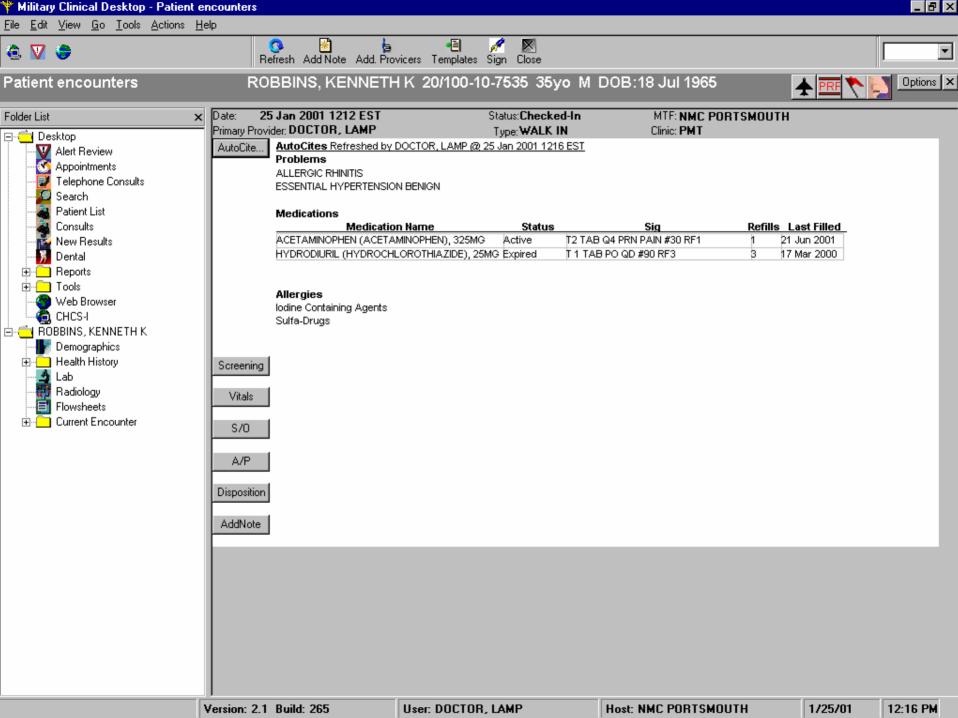
#### **CHCS to CHCS II Migration Path**

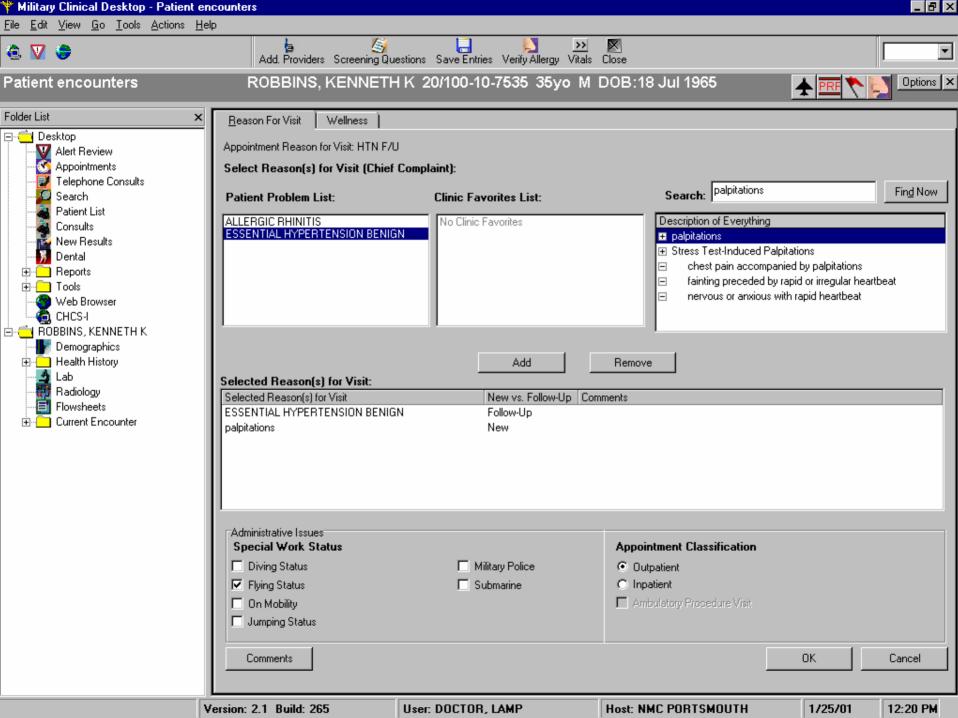


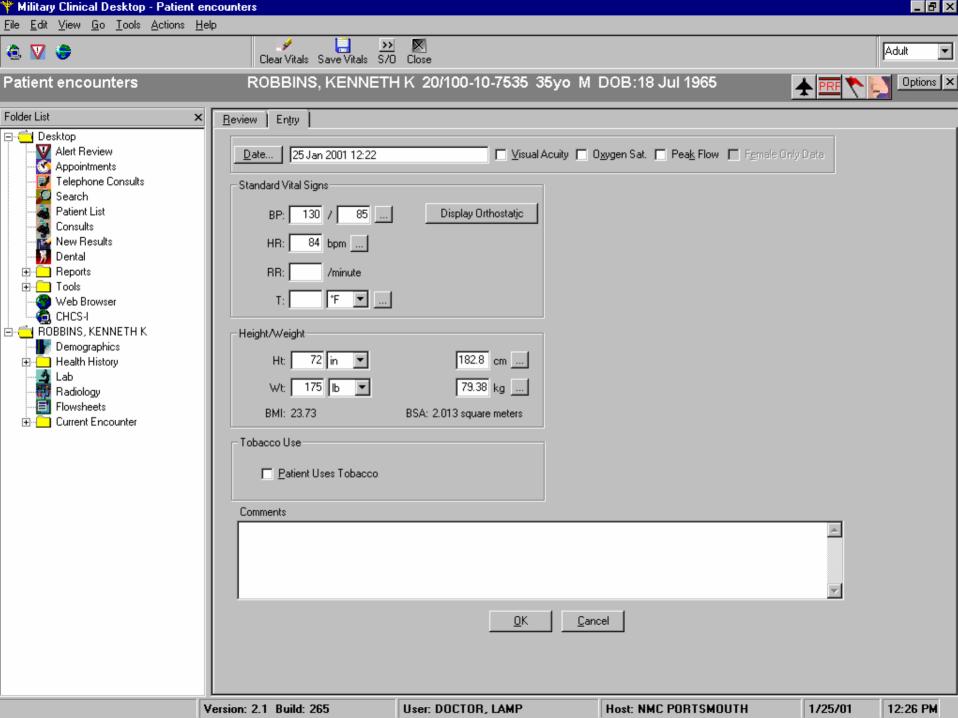
- CDR Now Collects All Patient Data Generated by CHCS as Well as Encounter Data
- •Leverages 3M COTS Provided Interfaces To Be Able To Integrate Ancillary System (Lab, Radiology, Dictation Systems, Etc.)

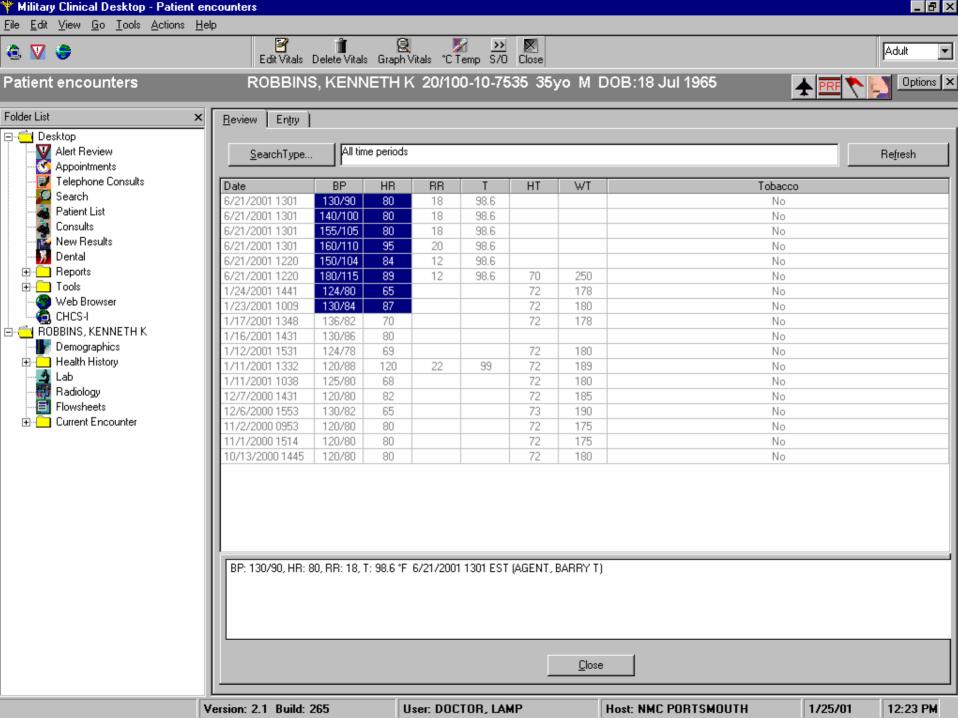
# 

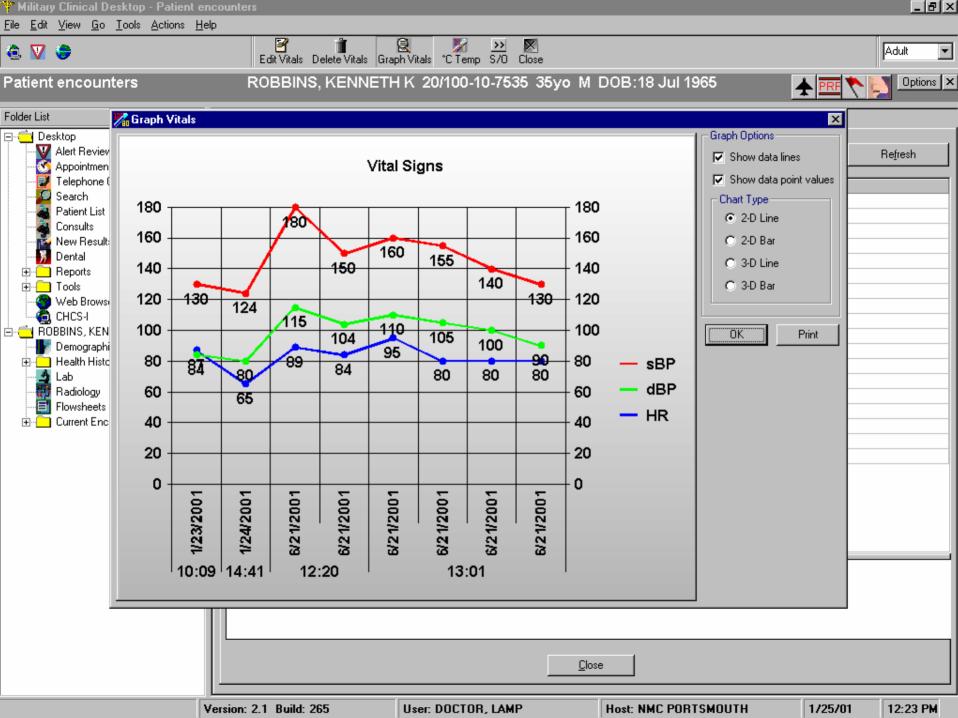


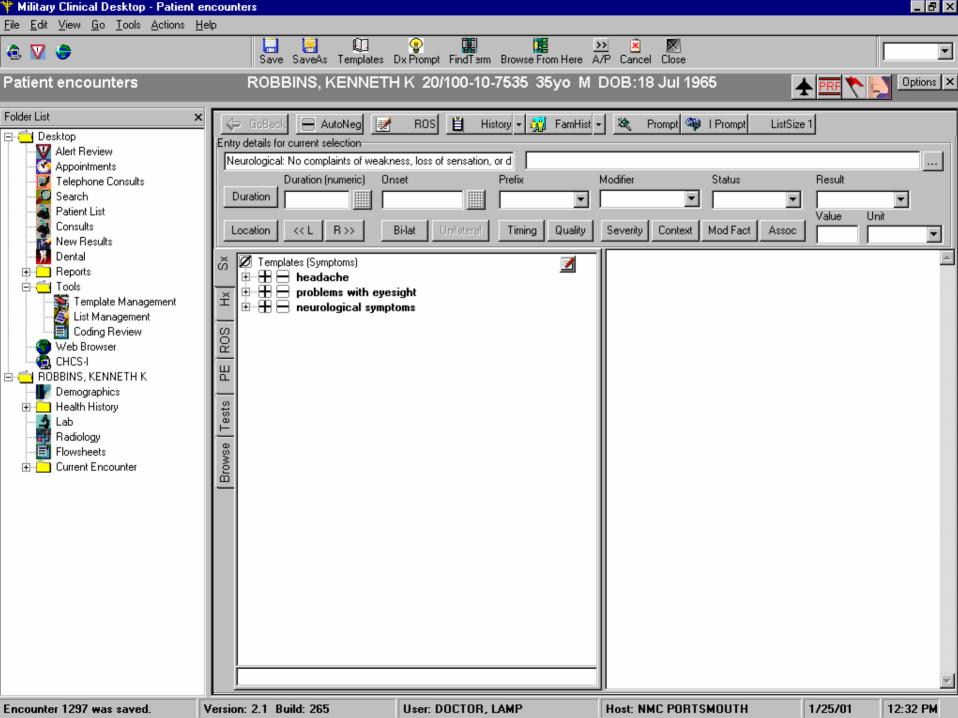


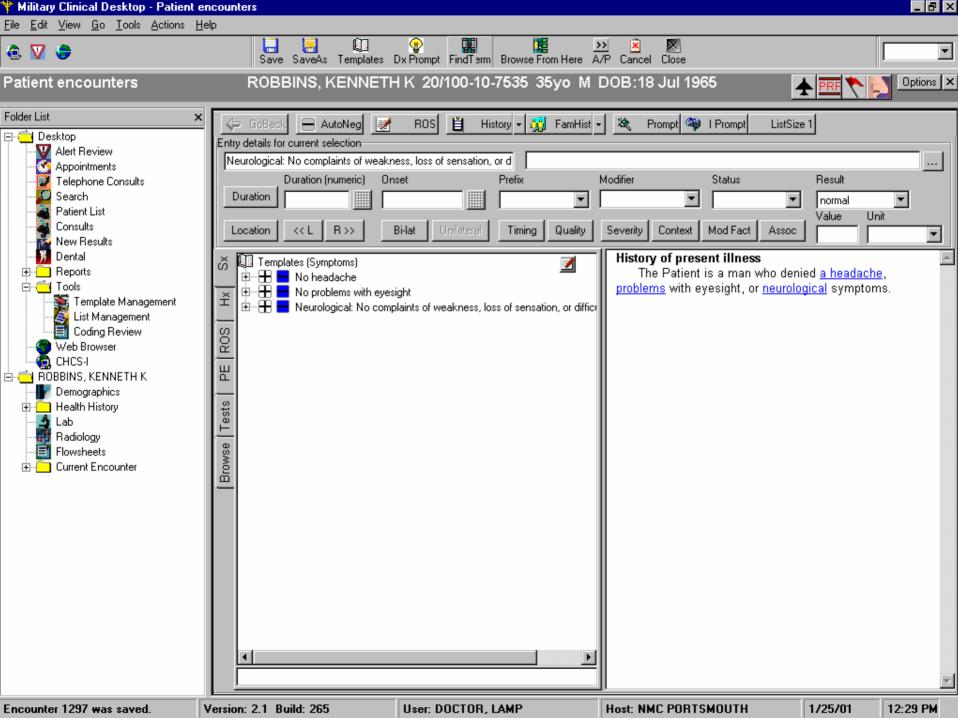


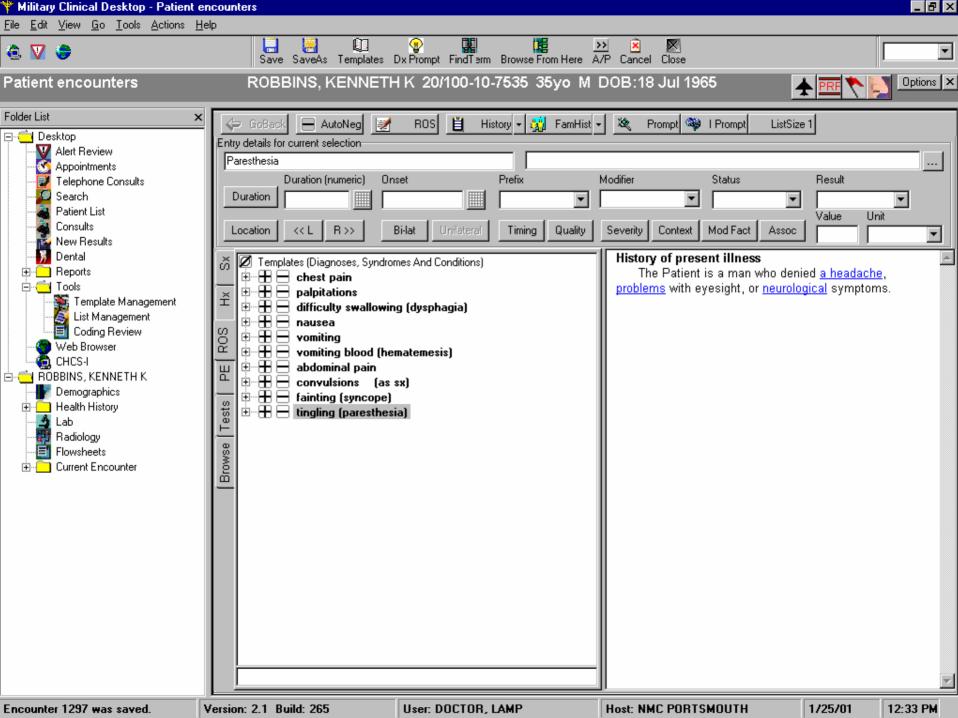


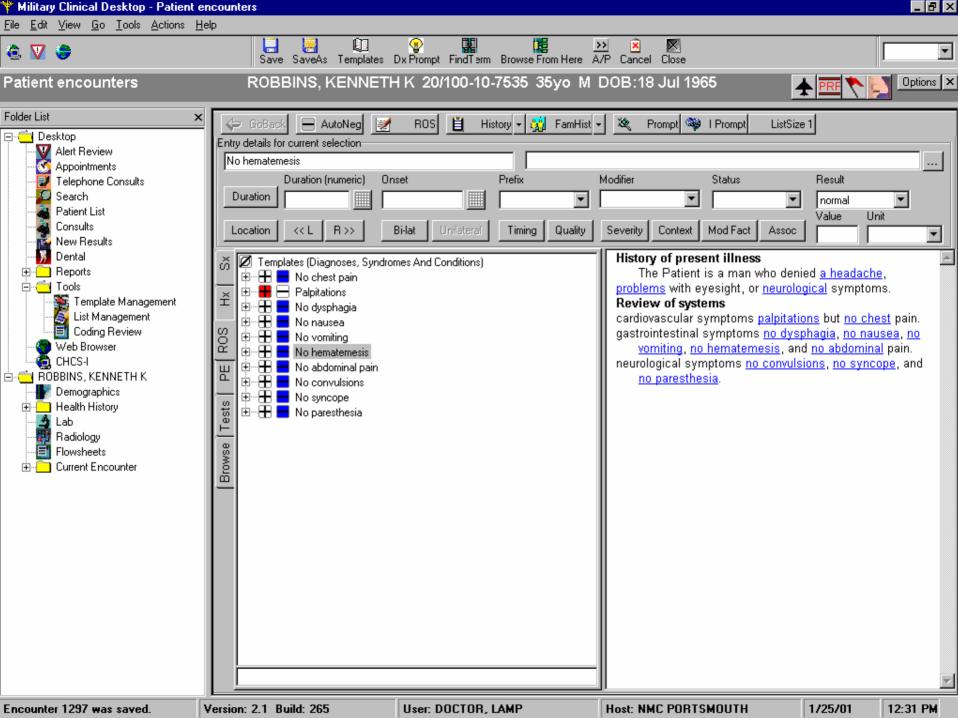


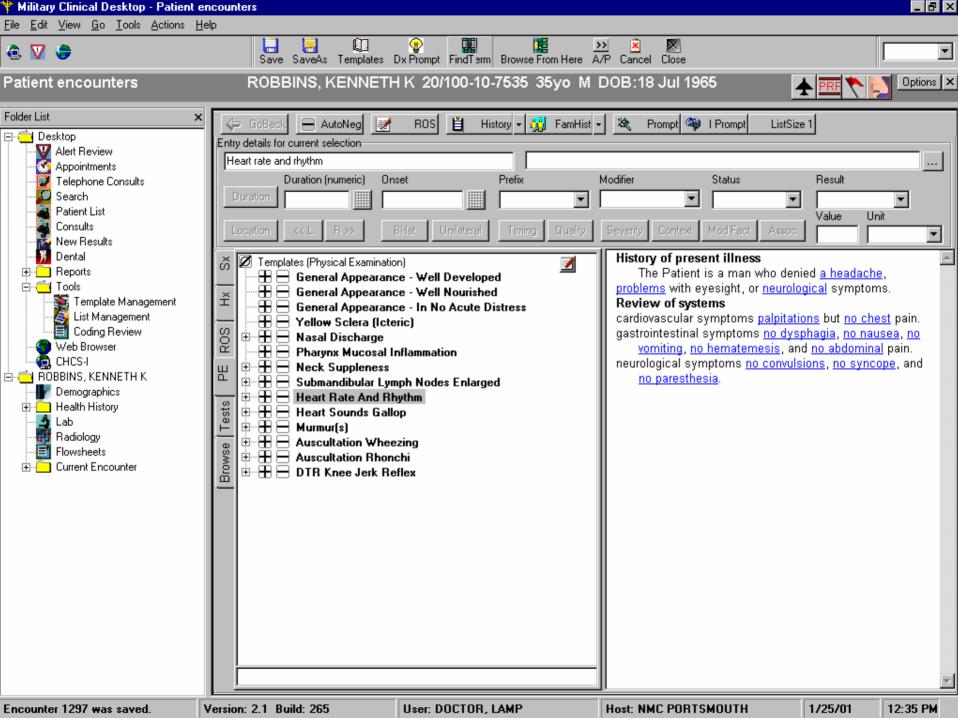


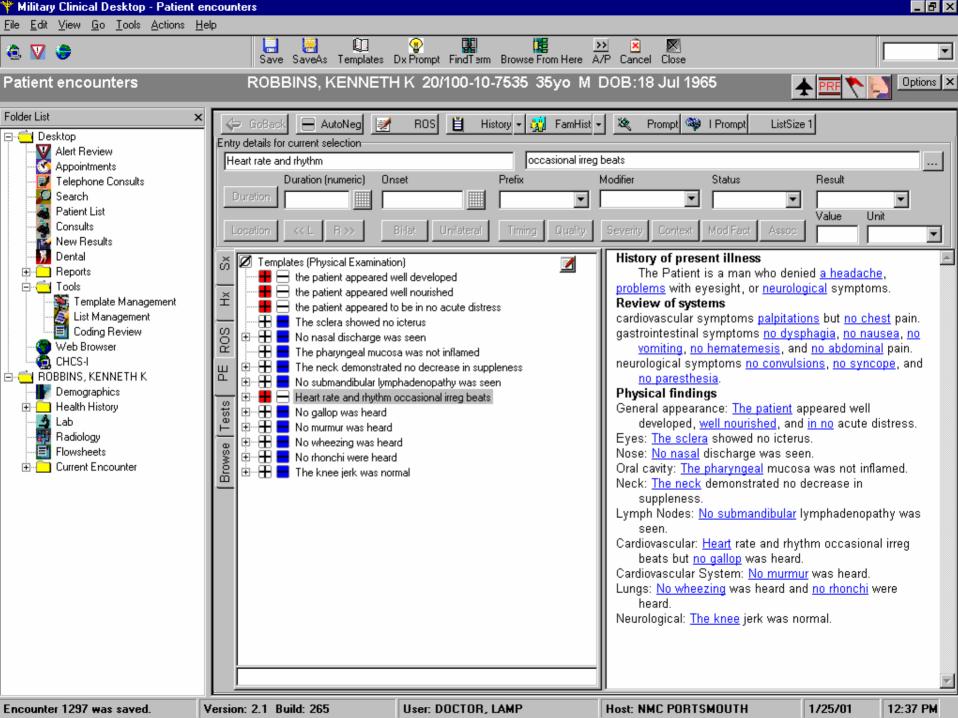


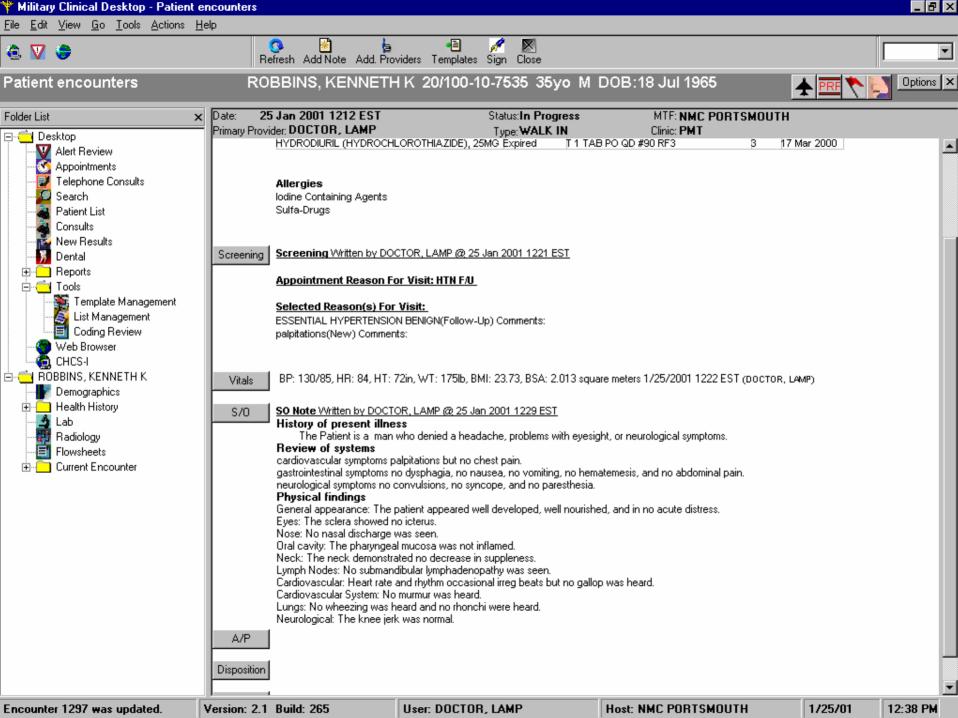


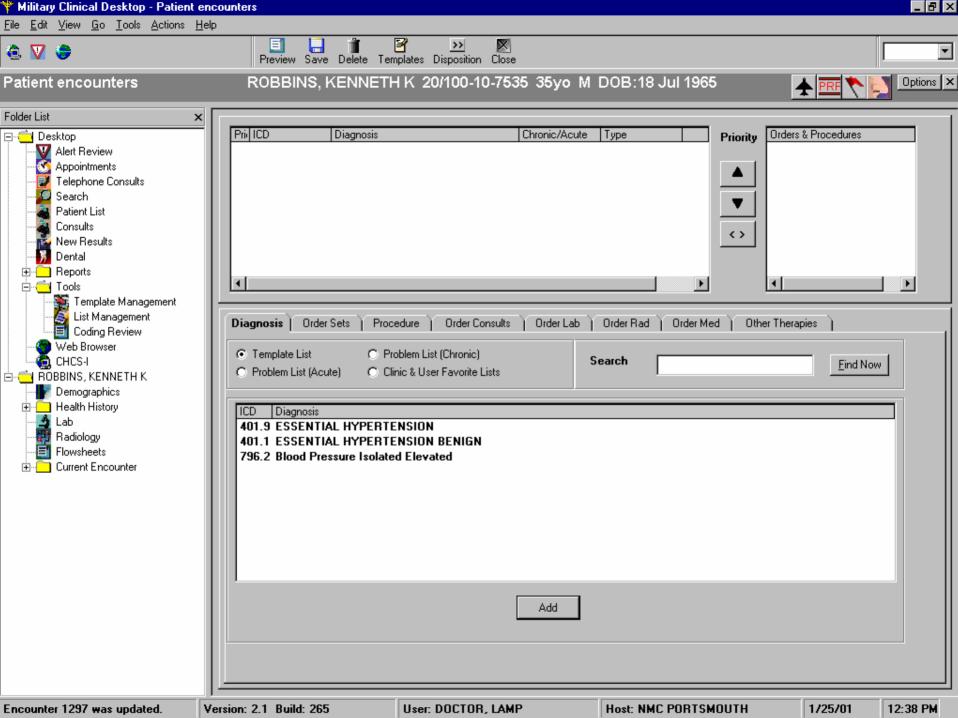


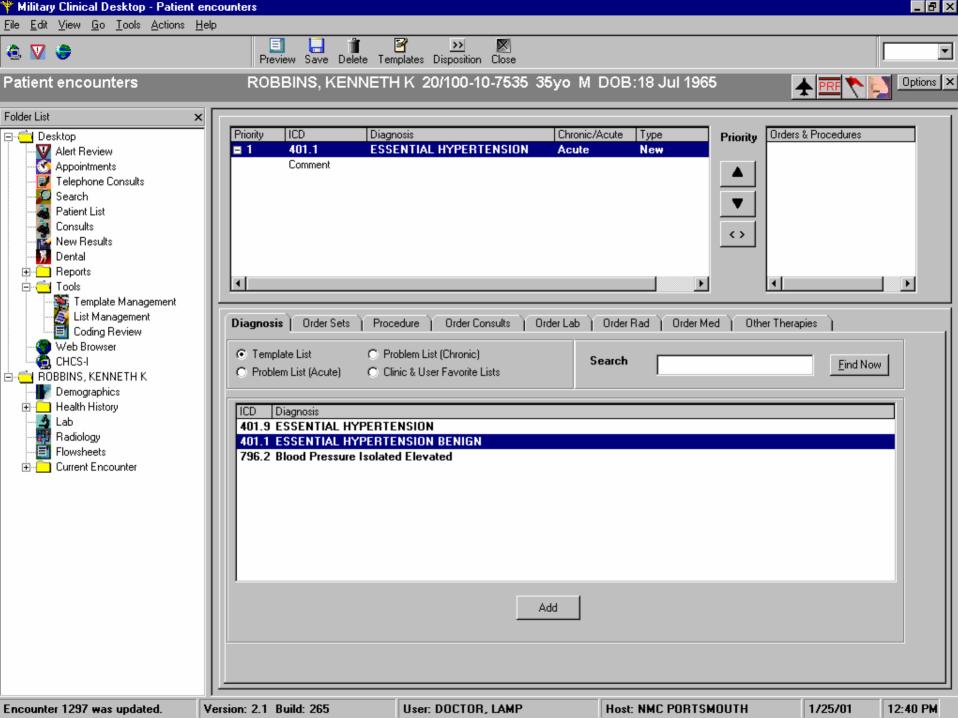


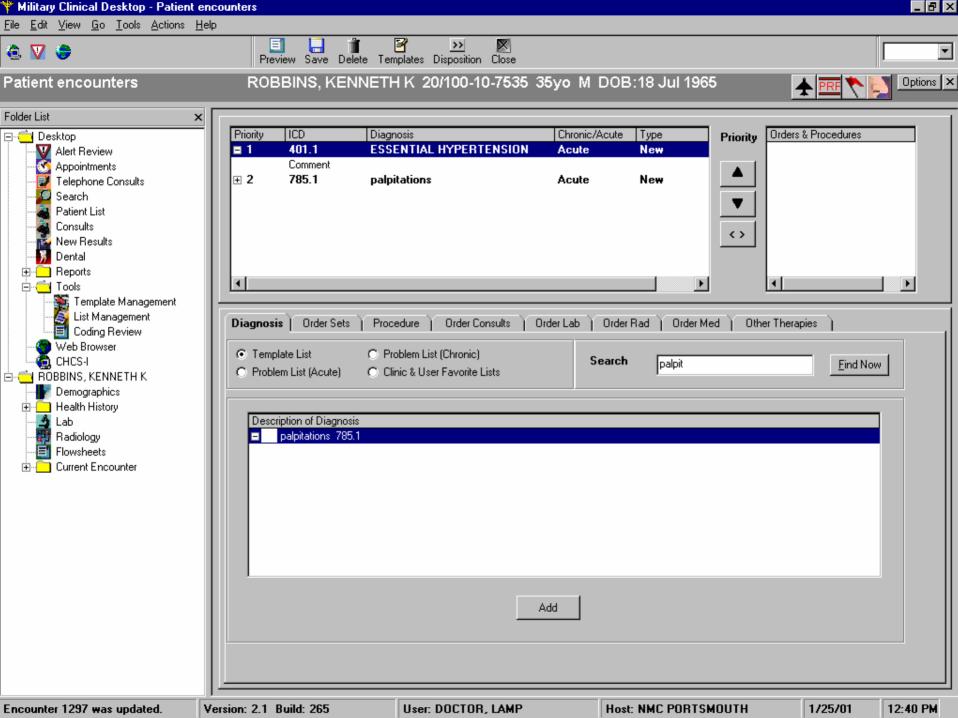


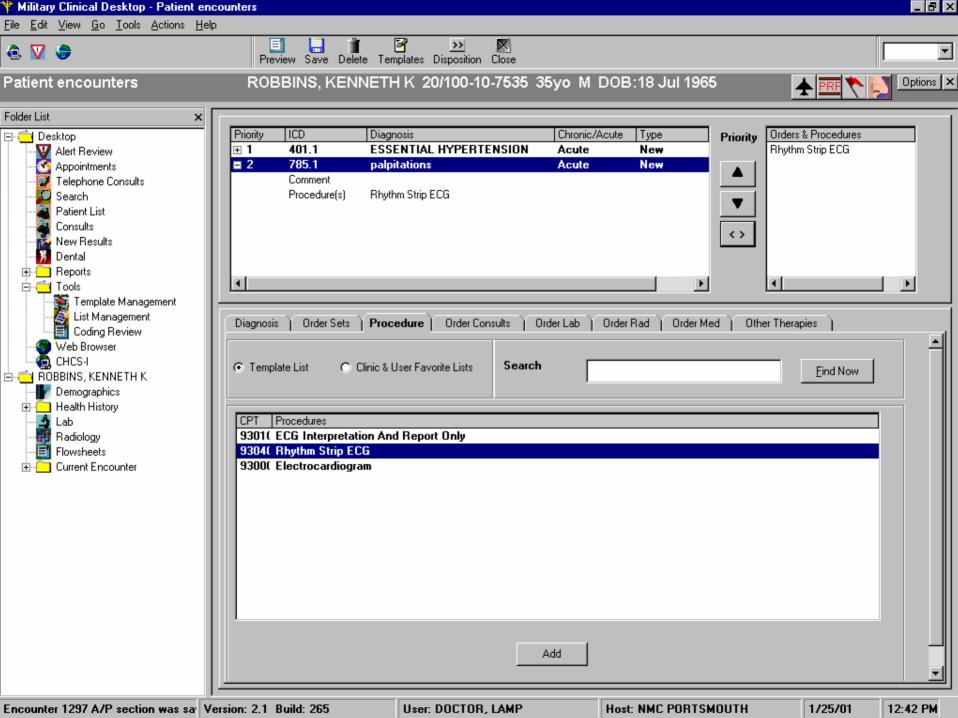


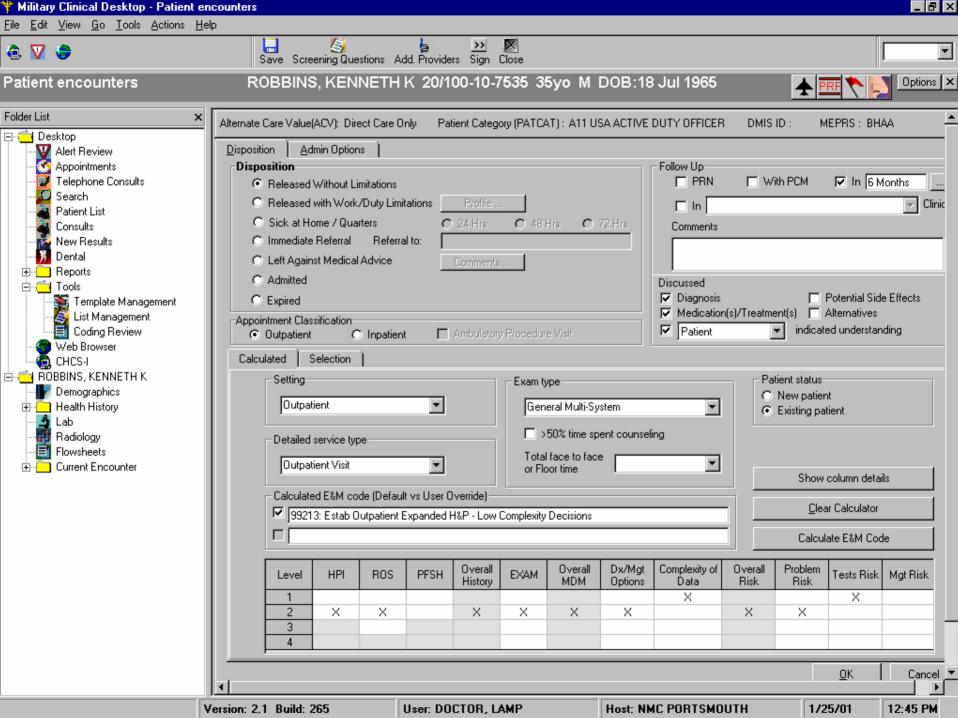


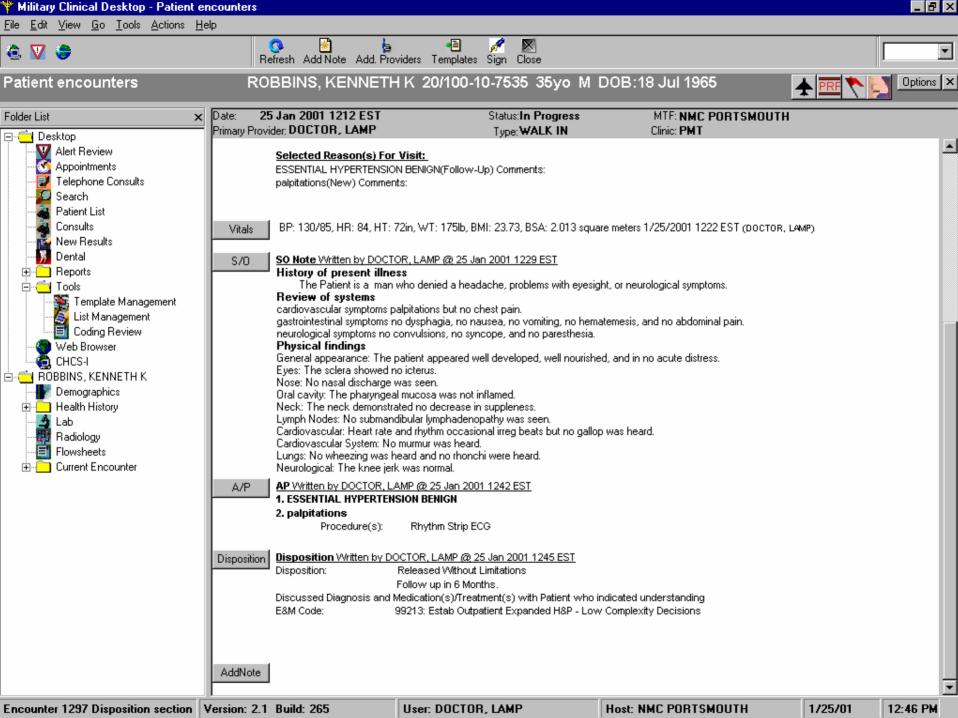


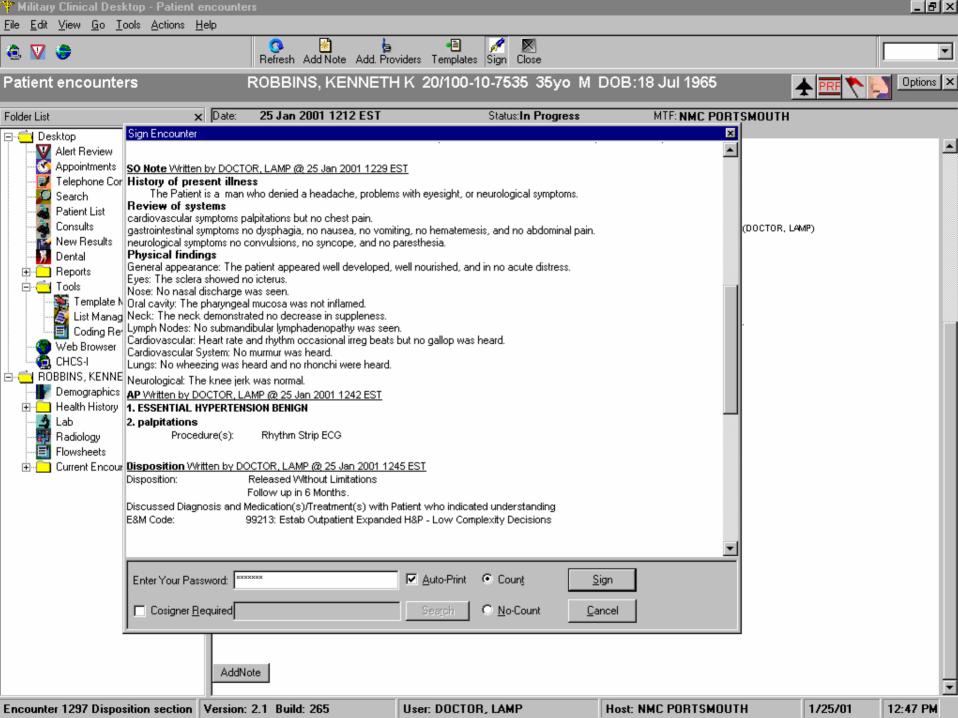


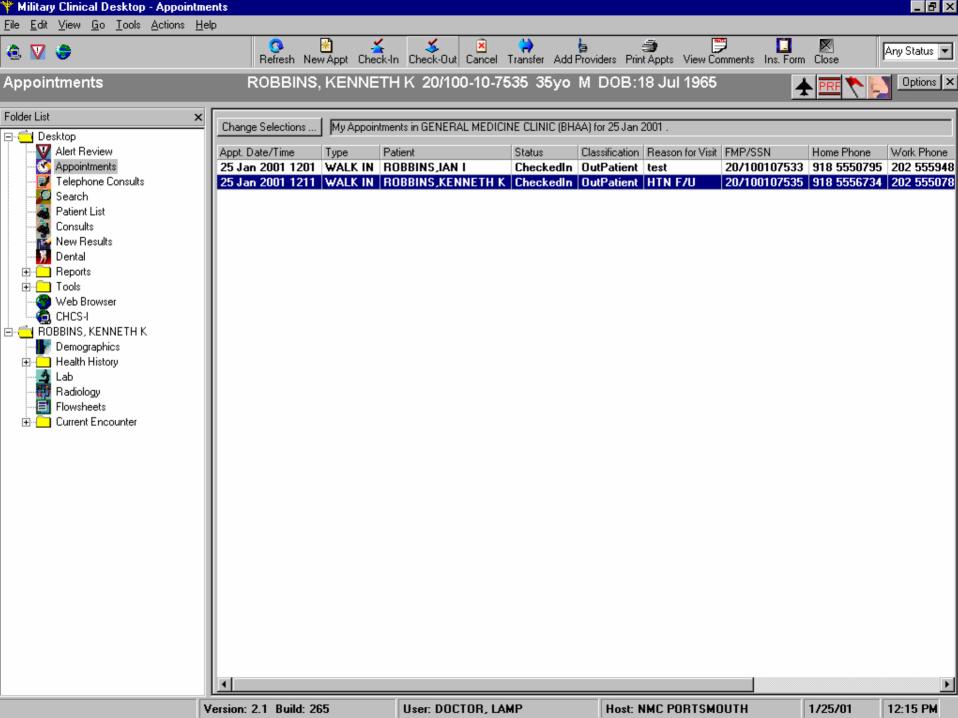












# 

## Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) Integration Overview

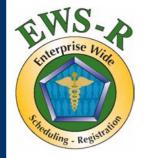




### **DEERS Mission**



- DoD's Benefit Entitlement System
- Maintain Personnel & Benefit Information for
  - All Active, Retired, and Reserve
  - All Civil Service personnel
  - All eligible dependents of Active, Retired, and Reserve personnel and eligible surviving beneficiaries of members who died on Active Duty or after retirement
- Support DoD ID Card Application RAPIDS, Smart Cards
- Support Benefit Delivery Medical, Education, Others
- Enable Improved Business Processes in DoD
- Reduce Fraud and Abuse of Government Benefits
- Support Force Health Protection & Medical Readiness
- Provide Identity Services Throughout the DoD



## DEERS, RAPIDS, and DOES



Independent but closely coupled established systems which provide eligibility information for DoD benefits

#### DEERS

- Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System
- *Database* with 23 million records providing:
  - Accurate and timely information on all eligible uniformed service members (active, reserve, retired), their families and DoD civilians
- Detailed information on DoD benefit program eligibility

#### RAPIDS

- Real-time Automated personnel Identification System
- Application that produces the ID card

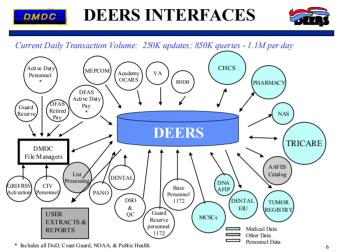
#### DOES

- Defense Online Enrollment System
- *Application* used for all health plan enrollments worldwide



### DEERS and TRICARE





DEERS - Tricare Central Database for:

Eligibility

Medical Readiness/Immunization

Beneficiary Demographics

Portability Information

National Enrollment Information

DEERS is uniquely positioned to help -

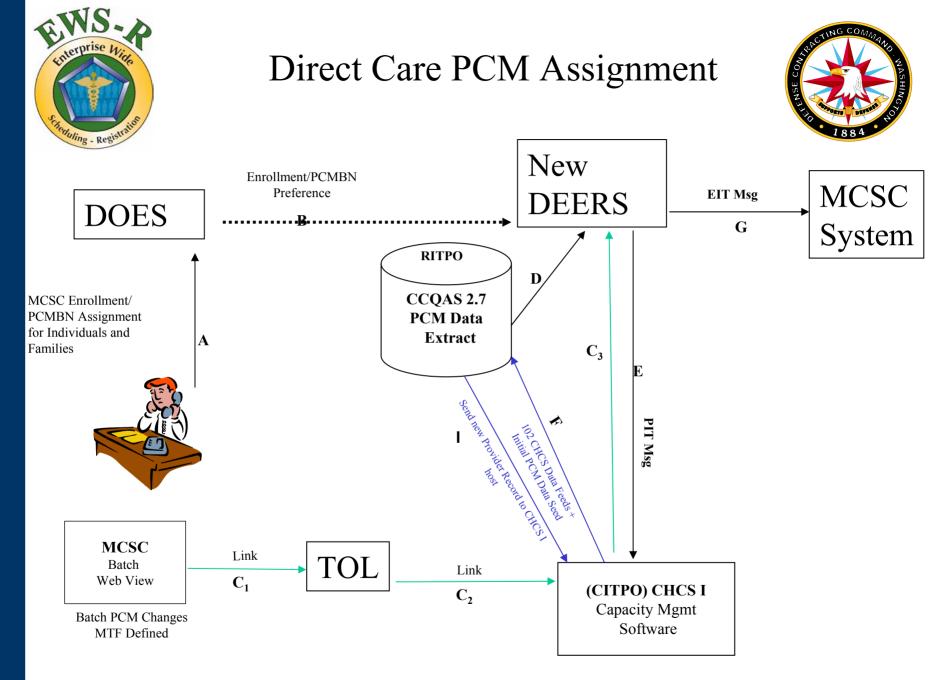
Interfaces to the Services and Components in place for Sponsors Family member information through RAPIDS
National Enrollment provides policy and coverage info
Communications protocols in place with MTFs and MCSC's
EDI person ID enables seamless data exchange on all
Standards based interchange spec published - HIPAA/EDI ready
Common Access Card adds strong authentication



## Joint Goals for DEERS and the MHS



- Establish full portability
- Facilitate one TRICARE
  - One look to the beneficiary
  - One common set of processes and business rules
- Establish better Government ownership of key information
- Position the government to be able to implement changes more quickly at less cost
- Improve data quality
- Allow MTFs to focus on patient care instead of enrollment
- Use standards where appropriate





### Direct Care PCM Assignment



#### **LEGEND**

- **B** DEERS Application
- C1 & C2 MCSC Batch Web View link
- C3 Batch PCM reassignments
- **D** Daily feed of aggregated PCM updates
- **E PIT** message for each PCM change
- F PCM updates to CCQAS
- G EIT message
- I New provider record to CHCS I

#### **ACRONYMS**

- EIT=Enrollment Information Transfer
- PIT=-PCM Information Transfer
- PCM = Primary Care Manager
- MTF = Military Treatment Facility
- PCMBN = PCM By Name
- DOES = DoD Online Enrollment System
- MCSC = Managed Care Support Contractor
- TOL = TRICARE On Line (Web Portal)
- CCQAS = Centralized Credentials Quality Assurance System
- CHCS = Composite Health Care System
- CITPO = Clinical Information Technology Program Office
- RITPO = Resources Information Technology Program Office

Insert
Program or
Office Logo
Here

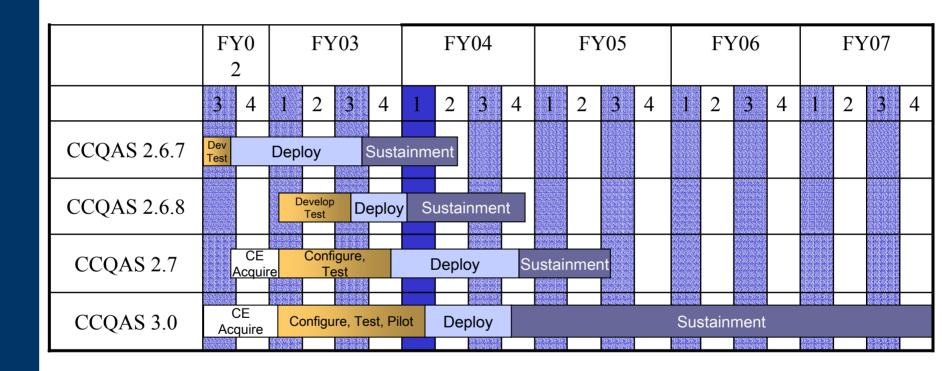
## **CCQAS** Integration Overview





## Overview Schedule

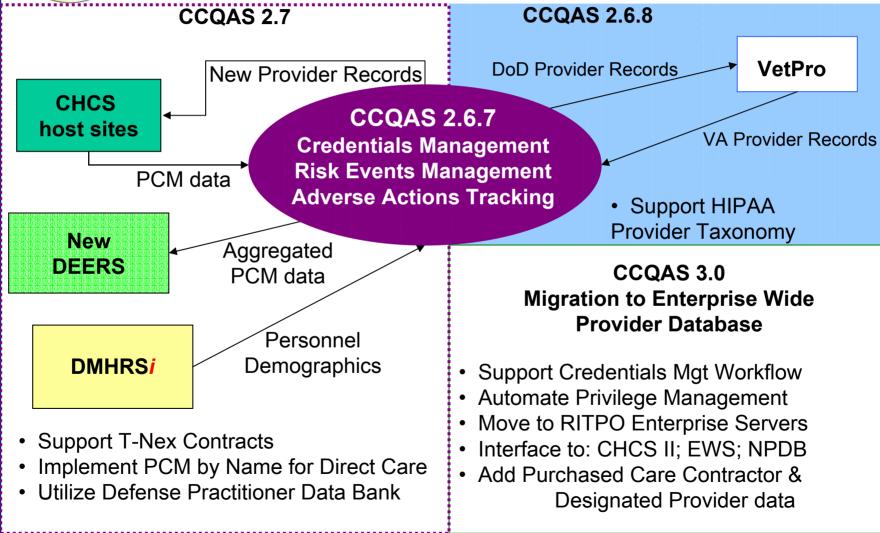






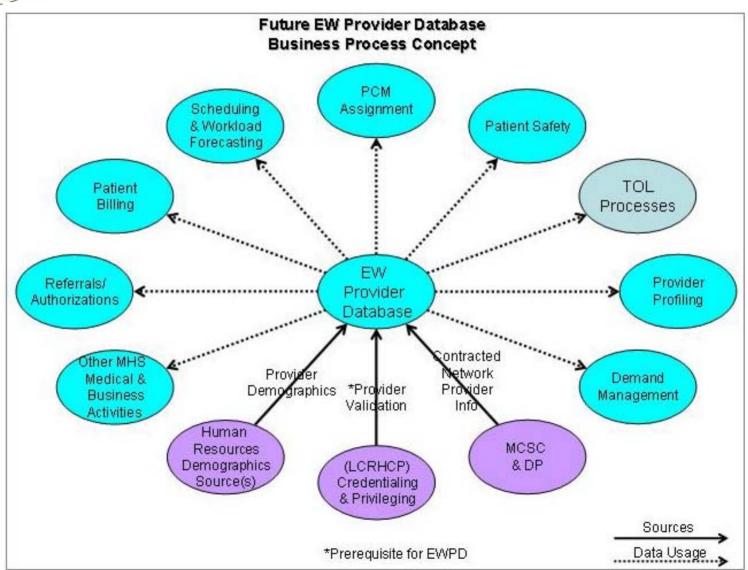
## **Centralized Credentials Quality Assurance System (CCQAS)**













# Composite Healthcare System (CHCS) Overview

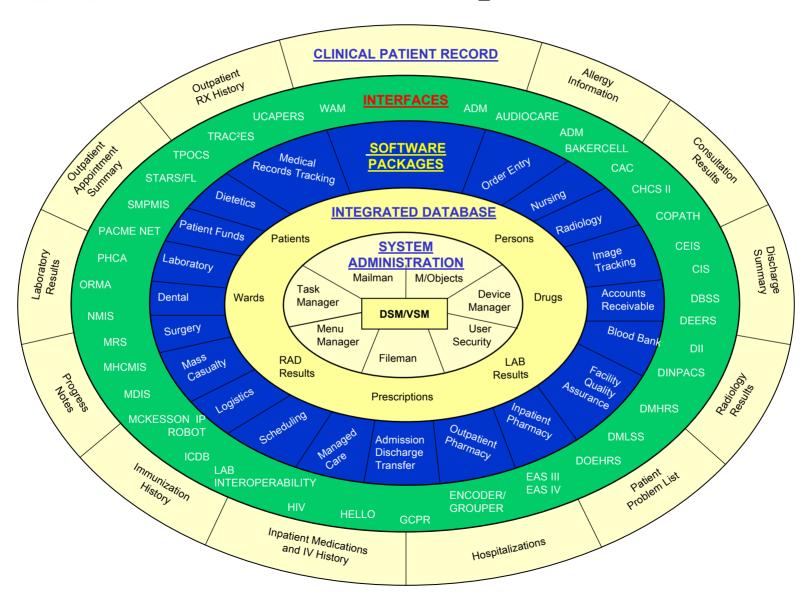


## CHCS Background

- Primary hospital information system for the Military Health System (MHS)
- Development begun in 1987
- Based on the Veterans Administration Decentralized Hospital Computer Program (DHCP)
  - Now called VistA
- Developed in the M (a.k.a. MUMPS) programming language
- Operates on OpenVMS operating system
- CHCS is deployed worldwide at all MHS Medical Treatment Facilities (MTF)
  - 100+ CHCS host configurations
  - 450+ places of care



## **CHCS** Components





## CHCS Functional Capabilities

- Registration
  - Patient information
  - John Doe registration
  - Mass Casualty registration
  - Eligibility verification
- Appointment Scheduling
  - Primary Care appointments
  - Specialty Care
  - Telephone Consults
  - Ambulatory Procedures
  - Dental
  - Radiology
- Inpatient Visits

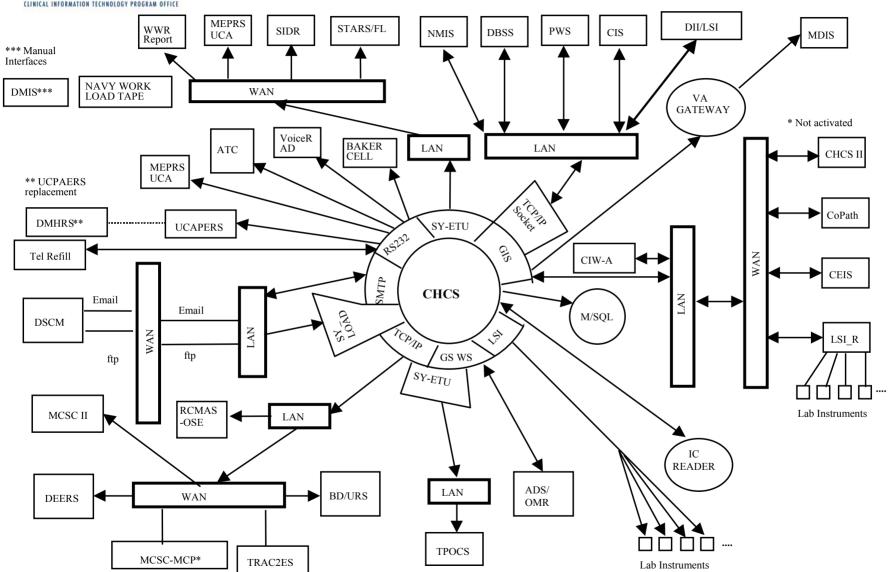


## CHCS Functional Capabilities

- Clinical Order Entry
- Laboratory
- Pharmacy
- Radiology
- Medical Record Management
- Dietetics
- Electronic Mail
- Administrative and Ad-Hoc Reporting



### **CHCS** Interfaces





### **CHCS** Interfaces

- CHCS serves as a primary source of medical data for ALL MHS interfacing systems
- Interfaces to 50+ other medical and administrative systems
- CHCS has a native interface engine capability
- The MHS is implementing a next generation EAI capability
  - Intended to replace CHCS as the MHS integration hub
- Many interfaces are based on the HL7 message standard
- Some interfaces are custom data formats
- Developing X12 message standards for HIPAA
- Most interfaces are uni-directional (broadcast only) from CHCS
- Some interfaces are bi-directional with inbound data to CHCS

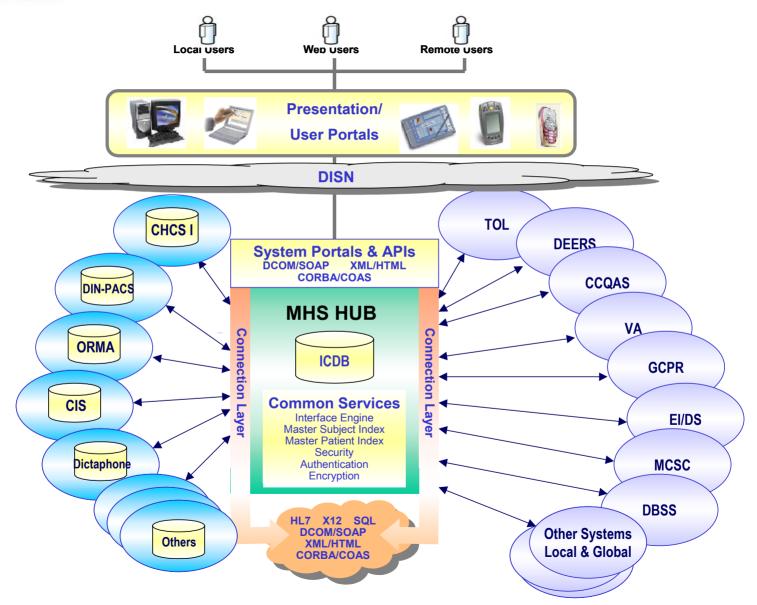


## Registration and Scheduling Integration

- CHCS is the source of registration (demographic), ADT, and scheduling information for most interfaced systems
- All interfaces transmit registration information
- Many interfaces transmit inpatient visit information
- Several interfaces transmit scheduling information



### MHS HUB





## **DMLSS Integration Overview**





## DMLSS Mission Statement



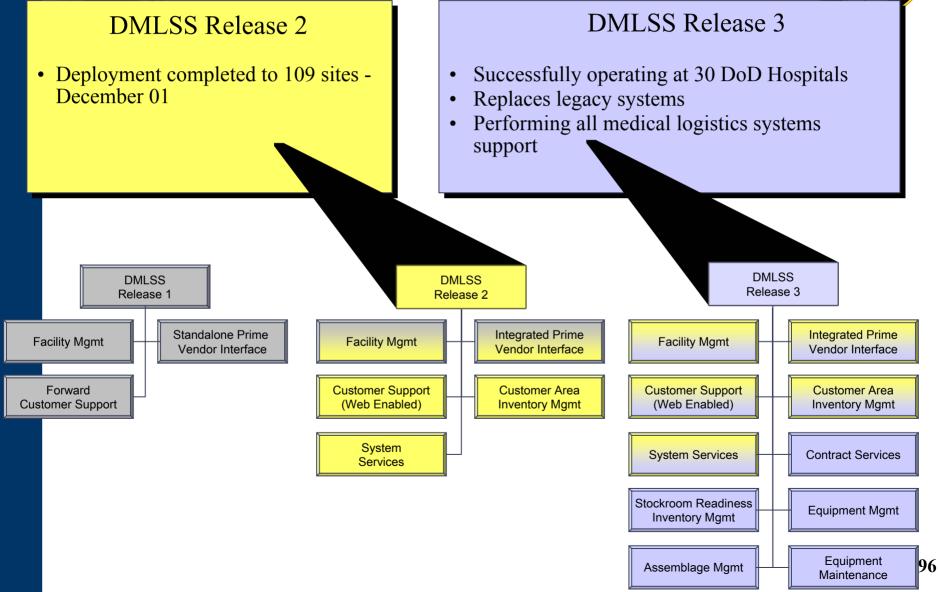
Dramatically improve the responsiveness of medical logistics support

- > Implement business innovations that significantly increase effectiveness of logistics support while reducing costs
- > Develop a high-quality, integrated medical logistics automated system for use by all Army, Air Force and Navy forces in both peace and war
- Materiel
- Facilities
- Equipment & Technology Management
- Wholesale Functions





## Evolutionary Development and Deployment





### Release 3 Modules

#### **Customer Area Inventory Management**

Replenishment Processing/Wireless Processing



**Integrated Common System Services** 

#### **Assemblage Management**

Readiness Tool



#### **Equipment & Technology Management**

**Customer Support on the Web** 

Materiel Orders/Catalog Search/

Work Orders

575575553 ALLES DAG ES

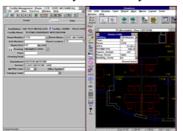
Life Cycle Management of Equipment



- Major Equipment Requirements
  - MRI/CT
    - Unique Identifier
    - Availability

#### **Facility Management**

Computer Aided Drawings/ Facility Inventory



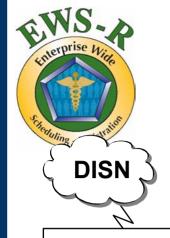
- Facility Requirements
  - Building / Room Unique Identifier
  - Availability

#### **Stock Room Inventory Management**

Physical Inventory/External Customer Support/Quality Assurance



- Materiel Requirements
  - Provider Profile
  - Procedure Profile
    - Supplies
    - Minor Equipment



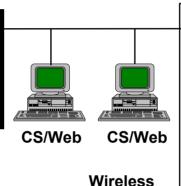
## DMLSS MTF Architecture



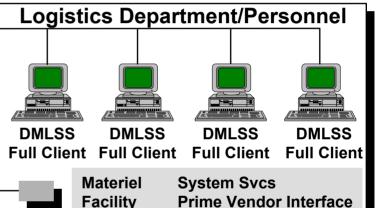


**MTF Computer Room** 

DMLSS Database Server



**Devices** 



#### **DMLSS Server**

UNIX platform Informix 7.x Business Objects 4.x Gentran Communication Gateway DMLSS Server applications

- Batch Processing
- Data Imports
- Data Conversions

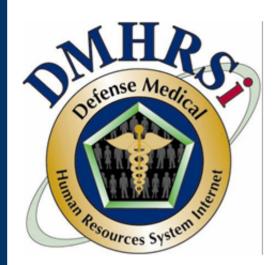
**Internet (Web) Software Distribution Process** 

#### DMLSS Clients (Pentium 200+)

**Equipment Assemblage** 

(Pentium 200+)

- Windows NT/95/98/2000 (Customer Support Users)
- Windows NT 4.0/2000 (Primary Logistics Users)
- Informix Connect 7.x (32-bit version)
- Business Objects 4.x (AdHoc/Design Support)
- Crystal Reports
- DMLSS Front-end GUI All in PowerBuilder 6.x
- 32-bit OA Products
- Netscape or Internet Explorer



## DMHRSi Integration Overview





## The Defense Medical Human Resources System – *internet* (DMHRSi)

Mr. Edward Leo Welsh III
Project Officer, DMHRSi
Resources Information Technology Program Office

## What is DMHRSi?

## Simplify and standardize military medical human resource management

- A web-based Tri-Service human resource management system
- Allow ready access to essential manpower, personnel, labor cost assignment, education & training, and personnel readiness information across the MHS enterprise

## Integrated Human Resource Management

DMHRSi can provide complete medical personnel asset visibility of all Active Duty, Reserve, Civilian, Contractor, Volunteer, or Borrowed Personnel

Who are they?

Who is trained?

How much do they cost?

Who is deployable?







DMHRSi Education and Training



DMHRSi Labor Costing



DMHRSi Readiness

## **Increased Visibility of Personnel Assets**

**DMHRS** Provide Tri-Service personnel visibility for roll-up and decision making

Office of the Secretary Of Defense



Service Headquarters

**Medical Region** 



**Medical Department** 



**Major Service Command** 

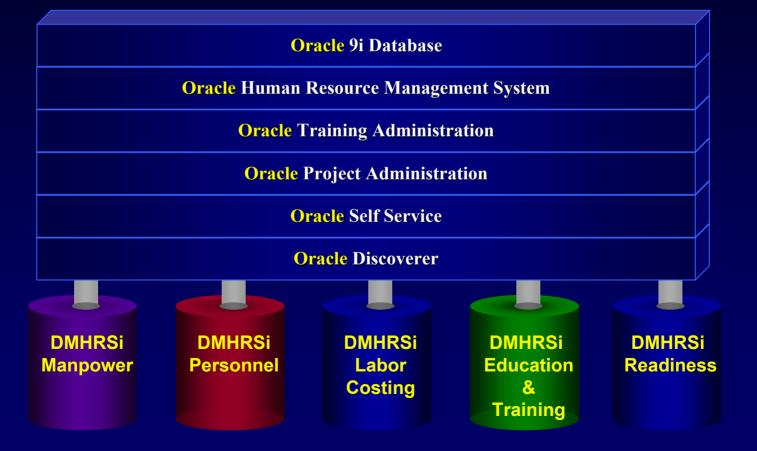


**DRAFT** 

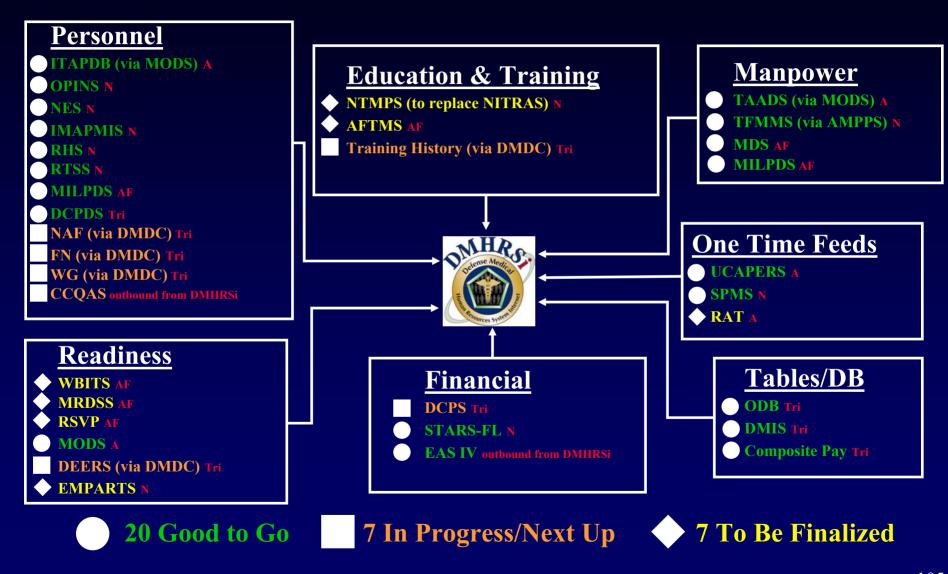
Users

## The DMHRSi COTS Solution

#### The Oracle 11i e-Business Suite

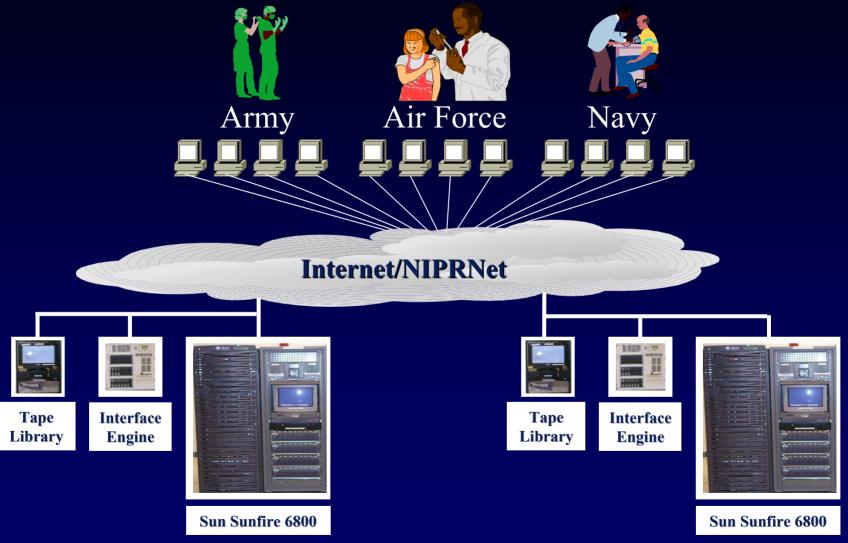


### **Data Feeds**



105

## **DMHRS** Architecture Design



Primary Site – Secure Government Location (Operational)

**Backup Site** – Alternate Secure Government Location (Future)

## Conclusion

- Standardizes the management and readiness reporting of medical human resource assets
- Provides medical personnel asset visibility for improved decision making
- Incorporates industry best practices through the integration of a commercial application
- Serves as a cornerstone for other key resource systems (Enterprise Wide Scheduling, Enterprise Wide Provider Database, Enterprise Wide Workload Forecasting)
- Current success result of Service collaboration and cooperation

"Put the right person, in the right place, at the right time, with the right skills"



## Military Health System

TIMPO's Communications and Computing Infrastructure (C&CI) Role

> For EWS&R Industry Day Richard Foster CAPT, MSC, USN Director, TIMPO





## TIMPO Mission



"Plan, program, acquire, implement and sustain peacetime information technology infrastructure and provide support services for MHS centrally managed products to improve and maintain the health of Military Health System beneficiaries"



## C&CI – Key Definitions



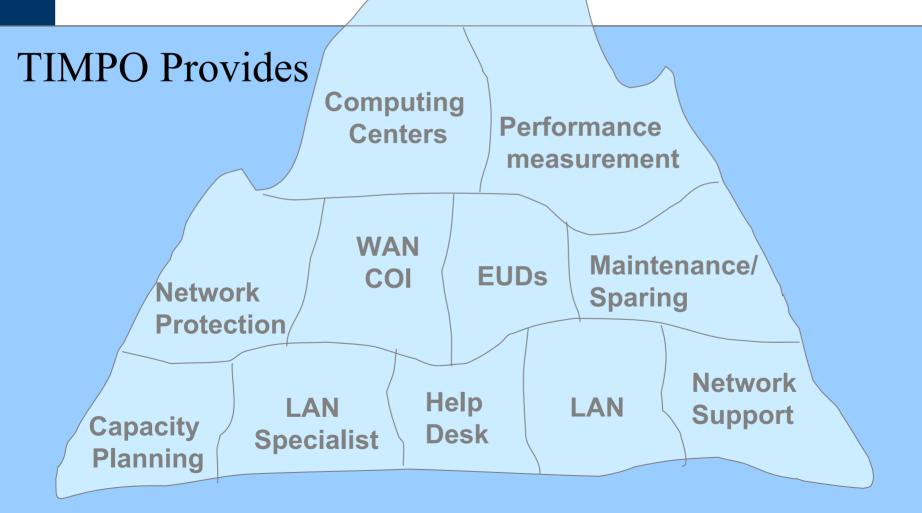
- Communications & Computing Infrastructure (C&CI)
  - Shared computing infrastructure components (servers, storage, operating systems, infrastructure services, application services)
  - Shared communications infrastructure (LANs, WANs)
  - Builds on Global Information Grid (GIG) and DII COE concepts
  - Focus is on an environment that fosters re-use, sharing,
     and interoperability at all layers
- TIMPO is all about sharing and eliminating stovepipe systems



Users See

**Applications** 

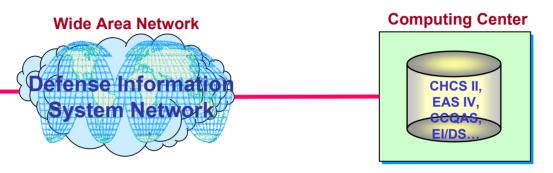


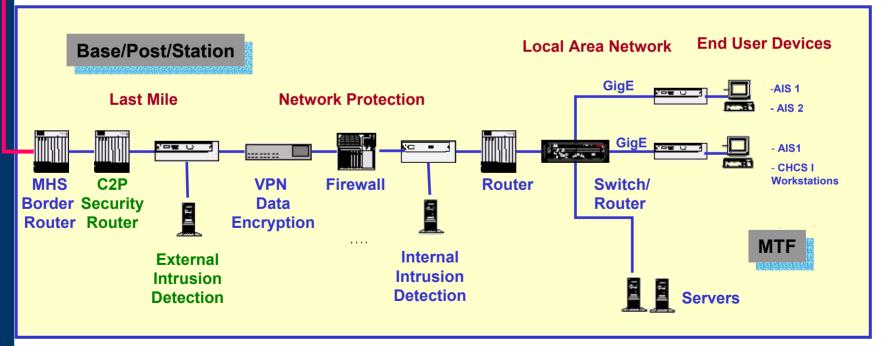




## Communications and Computing Infrastructure (C&CI) Target







## Standards and Processes



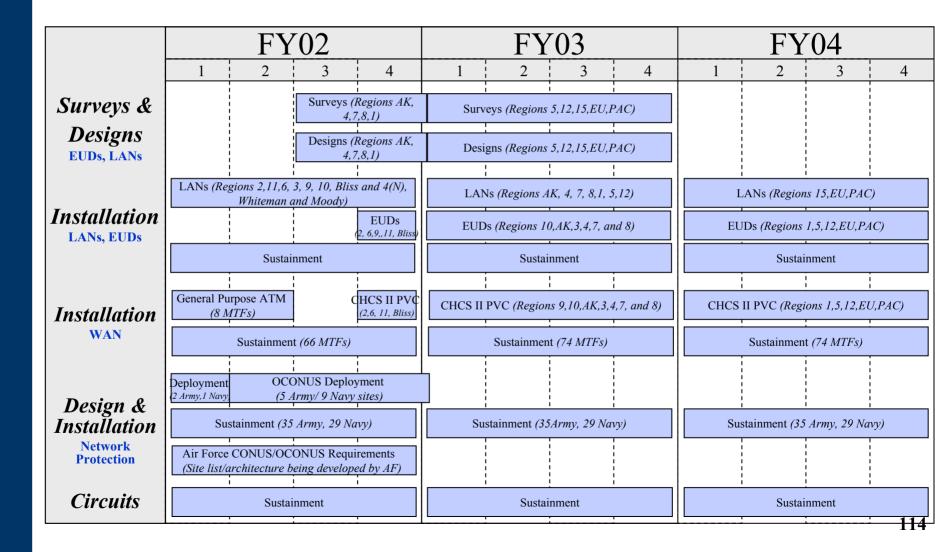
### MHS Minimum Workstation Standard

- www.tricare.osd.mil/policy/tma02/020725.pdf
- Compliance with Industry Interface Standards (e.g. HL-7, X.12, etc.)
  - www.HL7.org
  - <u>www.X12.org</u>
- Compatibility with the MHS Communications & Computing Infrastructure
- Integrate Tier 3 support with MHS Help Desk Operations
- Participate in Integrated Product Teams (IPT) & Configuration Control Boards (CCB)



## Three Year View







## **AVOID**



- Proprietary User Devices,
  - instead plan for operations on common multiuse workstations
- Proprietary/Dedicated communications paths
  - instead plan for operating on multi-purpose
     Ethernet TCP/IP standard LAN Infrastructure
- Proprietary Remote Management/Access to MTFbased Systems



## Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS) Considerations

- Accept DoD input/influence in COTS Baseline
  - Not a DoD specific baseline of the COTS product
  - Ensure DoD customers get the benefit of changes needed by all users of the product
- Able to co-host on Common Computing Infrastructure (e.g. Shared Servers, SANs, NAS), thereby eliminating "Stovepipe" technologies
- Publish/share Interface Control Documents and APIs
- Enterprise Scalability
  - e.g. must accommodate the latency inherent in a global enterprise



# COTS Considerations (cont'd)



- Standards and HIPAA compliant
- Network Resource Requirements
  - Bandwidth & Quality-of-Service
- User Performance Measurement
  - Users' experience measured by response time
  - COTs product already ARM'd or
  - Instrumented to allow industry standard arming
- Security
  - Ports and Protocols
  - DITSCAP



## Summary



- Use Industry Standards
- Remain flexible enough to integrate with other COTS & GOTS
- Use common MHS C&CI, including servers, LAN, workstations
- Test the scalability for Enterprise-wide operations vice facility or regional operations



## Questions



 Submit questions electronically via email to:

 Questions accepted until: 5PM EST, Xxx, 2003

 Official answers will be posted on website: www.ritpo.ha.osd.mil